



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

**RESOLUTION HONORING California Native Plant Society
IN CELEBRATION OF CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT WEEK**

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WHEREAS, the California Legislature has approved a binding Resolution, AR173, establishing California Native Plant Week, beginning April 17-23, 2011. This measure proclaims the 3rd week of April, each year, as California Native Plant Week and encourages community groups, schools, and citizens to undertake appropriate activities to promote the conservation, restoration, and appreciation of California's native plants.; and

WHEREAS, establishing California Native Plant Week was sponsored by the California Native Plant Society, and garnered the support of horticulturalists, conservation organizations, and nurseries throughout California; and

WHEREAS, recognizing California Native Plant Week recognizes the vital historical, artistic, and economic contributions California's native plants have made to our State, and points out that California native plant gardening and landscaping have tremendous positive impacts to our watersheds, to habitat recovery, to curbing catastrophic wildfire, and that home landscaping and gardening with native plants can cut residential water use from 60 to 90% over conventional gardening; and

WHEREAS, Santa Barbara County has many natural ecological treasures including the Burton Mesa Chaparral, Vandenberg Air Force Base, Figueroa Mountain, Coal Oil Point, Goleta Slough, and the Carpinteria Salt Marsh to name a few; which are home to numerous California Native Plants, some endemic to our County; and

WHEREAS, local California Native Plant Society members are hosting several native plant focused hikes, plantings, and education events during the week of April 17-23; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors recognizes the third week of April as California Native Plant Week.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 12th day of April, 2011 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST: Chandra Waller
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